

the Congress of the United States to enact legislation to permanently extend the research and tax credit, as proposed in H.R. 2819; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### ¶116.23 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 23: Mr. LATOURETTE.  
H.R. 453: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 619: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 1202: Ms. LEE and Mr. GREENWOOD.  
H.R. 1525: Mr. WYNN.  
H.R. 2468: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 2849: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 2953: Mr. CUMMINGS.  
H.R. 3043: Mr. MCDERMOTT.  
H.R. 3624: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 3627: Ms. RIVERS.  
H.R. 3672: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 3837: Mr. SERRANO.  
H.R. 3876: Mr. ETHERIDGE.  
H.R. 3948: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 4028: Mr. GIBBONS.  
H.R. 4070: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 4145: Mr. LANTOS, Mr. HILLIARD, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. LAMPSON, Ms. LEE, Ms. SLAGHTER, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.  
H.R. 4179: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD and Mr. GEJDENSON.  
H.R. 4220: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 4311: Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 4374: Mr. THOMPSON and Ms. LEE.  
H.R. 4718: Mr. FATTAH, Mr. STARK, and Mr. DEFazio.  
H.R. 4787: Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. MANZULLO.  
H. Con. Res. 41: Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey.  
H. Con. Res. 286: Mr. BERMAN.  
H. Con. Res. 345: Mr. LAZIO of New York.  
H. Con. Res. 354: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1998 (117)

The House was called to order by the SPEAKER.

#### ¶117.1 FORMAL NOTIFICATION OF THE REASSEMBLING OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following text of the formal notification of the reassembling of the House which was sent to Members on Monday, December 14, 1998:

OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER,  
*Washington, DC, December 14, 1998.*

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE WHITE: Pursuant to section 3 of House Concurrent Resolution 353 and after consultation with the Minority Leader, the public interest requires the Members of the House of Representatives to reassemble at 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 17, 1998. The Sergeant at Arms is directed to notify all Members of the reassembly of the House of Representatives for the second session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress.

Sincerely yours,

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker.*

#### ¶117.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Wednesday, October 21, 1998.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

#### ¶117.3 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

11864. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Regulations Under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA); Renewal of License [Docket No. FV98-359] received November 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11865. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Mexican Fruit Fly Regulations; Addition of Regulated Area [Docket No. 98-082-3] received November 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11866. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Tuberculosis Testing of Livestock Other than Cattle and Bison [Docket No. 97-062-2] received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11867. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Importation of Fruits and Vegetables [Docket No. 97-107-2] received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11868. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Importation of Coffee [Docket No. 97-011-2] received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11869. A letter from the Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Two-Part Documents for Commodity Pools [17 CFR Part 4] received November 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11870. A letter from the Deputy Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Adverse Registration Actions by the National Futures Association With Respect to Agricultural Trade Option Merchants and Their Associated Persons and Applicants for Registration in Either Category—received November 25, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11871. A letter from the Administrator, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Electric Program Standard Contract Forms (RIN: 0572-AB42) received November 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11872. A letter from the Director, Procurement and Property Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Uniform Procedures for the Acquisition and Transfer of Excess Personal Property (RIN: 0500-AA00) received October 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11873. A letter from the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Relaxations to Substandard and Maturity Dockage Systems [FV99-989-1 IFR] received October 26, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11874. A letter from the Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Clear Title—Protection for Purchasers of Farm Products (RIN: 0580-AA63) received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11875. A letter from the Administrator, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—American Indian Livestock Feed Program (RIN: 0560-AF29) received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11876. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Fruit from Hawaii [Docket No. 97-005-2] received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11877. A letter from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Common Crop Insurance Regulations; Cotton and ELS Cotton Crop Insurance Provisions (RIN: 0563-AB62) received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11878. A letter from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Common Crop Insurance Regulations; Basic Provisions (RIN: 0563-AB69) received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11879. A letter from the Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Special Uses (RIN: 0596-AB35) received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11880. A letter from the Administrator, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Irish Potatoes Grown in Colorado; Exemption From Area No. 2 Handling Regulation for Potatoes Shipped for Experimentation and the Manufacture or Conversion Into Specified Products, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11881. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Closure of Harry S Truman Animal Import Center [Docket No. 98-070-3] received November 17, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11882. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Addition to Quarantined Areas [Docket No. 98-083-3] received December 3, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11883. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Limes and Avocados Grown in Florida; Relaxation of Container Dimension, Weight, and Marking Requirements [Docket No. FV98-911-2 FIR] received November 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

11884. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Relaxation of Quality Requirements for Fresh Nectarines and Peaches [Docket No. FV98-916-2 FIR] received November 18, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.